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In re Application of  
Nicholas J. Rush et al.  
Application No. 09/715,385  
Filed: November 16, 2000  
For: Positive-Return Gambling

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: DECISION GRANTING STATUS  
: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed July 24, 2001.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **granted**.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventors have refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the addresses given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After the mailing of this decision, the file will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 3711 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Latrice Bond at (703) 308-6911.

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Dear Mr. Kapalka:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 118 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor, you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any patent thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join in the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

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Dear Mr. Sidhu:

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